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1. IN PURSUING APPROACHES U. S. BUSINESS COMMUNITY RE SUBJECT PILOT PALNT, CERTAIN INFORMATION ABOUT DOLS 180 MILLION EVENTUAL IRON AND STEEL MILL IS NEEDED. ADDRESSEE THEREFORE REQUESTED ANSWER FOLLOWING QUESTIONS TO EXTENT DATA AVAILABLE:

(ALLLV DO INDIANS OR UNIDO HAVE ANY FEASIBILITY STUDIES OR OTHER ANALYSES ECONOMIC RATIONALE FOR PLANT? IF SO, WHO PREPARED THEM, AND ARE THEY AVAILABLE?

(B) WHEN DO INDIANS PLAN CONSTRUCT MILL IF SUBJECT PILOT PLANT INDICATES VIABILITY?

(C) IS FINANCING AVAILABLE? OR, WHAT ARE INDIANS PLANS
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FOR RAISING FUNDS, INCLUDING NAMES PROSPECTIVE FINANCIAL

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ORGANIZATIONS?

2. ADDRESSEES ALSO REQUESTED FURNISH ADDITIONAL INFO RE PILOT PLANT:

(A) ;$9 THE INDIANS WANT ONLY CONSTRUCTION COMPANIES TO BID ON BUILDING PILOT PLANT, OR ARE DESIGN AND ENGINEERING CONTRACTS ALSO GOING TO BE LET?

(B) ARE ANY DESCRIPTIONS OF PROJECT AND INDICATION OF TIMING AVAILABLE FOR PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS? APPROXIMATELY WHEN ARE CALLS FOR BIDS GOING TO BE MADE?

(C) WHAT KINDS AND QUANTITIES OF EQUIPMENT ARE INVOLVED?

(D) DO THE INDIANS PLAN TO SEND SOMEONE TO US TO MEET WITH PROSPECTIVE DESIGNERS, ENGINEERS, CONSTRUCTORS, SUPPLIERS, PRIOR FORMAL CALL FOR BIDS? IF SO, WHAT TIME FRAME IS ENVISAGED? KISSINGER

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